

I have stopped believing the FCC represents me, but I want to try and do this again. I was upset by the effort by Mr. Powell and the majority representation on the FCC Board to let the broadcast media be taken over by corporations. It's naive of me but I thought the airwaves belonged to the people. And here it is again. A media corporation backing a smear campaign and propaganda to influence the election to favor candidates that they have in their pocket. PLEASE remember the reason why airwaves still belong to the people. Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

I'm going to watch this and remember. You have certainly activated me. I will fight for free information systems in this country. Thank you for your contribution to that. Sincerely,

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.